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SUBJECT: TOKYO MEDIA REACTION - Chinese Communist Party  
National Congress

LEAD STORIES: Top stories this morning included a  
decision by Japan's largest brokerage firm Nomura  
Holdings to close its US residential mortgage business.

"Can China Achieve Real Harmony?" The liberal Tokyo  
Shimbun editorialized (10/16): "...Regarding foreign  
policy, Chinese President Hu Jintao stated during the  
opening on Monday of the Communist Party's National  
Congress that China will work hand in hand with the  
people of foreign nations to build a peaceful,  
prosperous, and harmonious world. However, Hu warned  
Taiwan that no form of independence can be allowed and  
hinted at the use of force. Japan fully understands and  
respects Beijing's claim that Taiwan is part of China.  
However, Taiwan has achieved democracy, and its people  
directly elect their president and legislators. Freedom  
of speech and freedom of the press are ensured there.  
China's neighbors would not accept any move by Beijing  
to use force in defiance of the will of the Taiwanese  
people, regardless of the reason. Winning international  
confidence in its idea of a 'harmonious world' will  
depend on how China deals with Taiwan."

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